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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,492,008 B1 dated June 11, 2002 and issued to Lucas;
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,187,002 B1 dated February 13, 2001 and issued to Long et al.;
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,126,665 dated October 3, 2000 and issued to Yoon;
4. U.S. Patent No. 6,032,849 dated March 7, 2000 and issued to Mastri et al.;

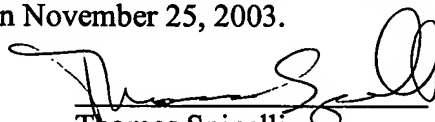
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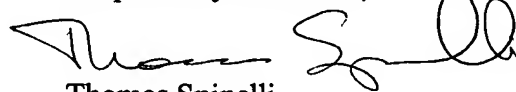

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5. U.S. Patent No. 5,876,401 dated March 2, 1999 and issued to Schulze et al.;
6. U.S. Patent No. 5,772,597 dated June 30, 1998 and issued to Goldberger et al.;
7. U.S. Patent No. 5,735, 848 dated April 7, 1998 and issued to Yates et al.;
8. U.S. Patent No. 5,716,366 dated February 10, 1998 and issued to Yates;
9. U.S. Patent No. 5,665, 085 dated September 9, 1997 and issued to Nardella;
10. U.S. Patent No. 5,605,272 dated February 25, 1997 and issued to Witt et al.;
11. U.S. Patent No. 5,465,894 dated November 14, 1995 and issued to Clark et al.;
12. U.S. Patent No. 5,452,836 dated September 26, 1995 and issued to Huitema et al.; and
13. U.S. Patent No. 5,403,312 dated April 4, 1995 and issued to Yates, et al.

In accordance with the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i), per 1276 OG 55, August 5, 2003, applicants are not required to submit copies of the above-cited U.S. Patent references.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

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